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Sir:

In response to the Official Action of 02/018/04 ("Official Action"), for which a response was due 05/18/04, now extended three (3) months until 08/18/14, the Applicants respond as follows:

Amendments to the claims pages 2-5  
Remarks pages 6-16